GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3691
ANSWERED ON:19.04.2005
SEPARATE ACT FOR SCHEDULED AREAS IN STATES
Gamang Shri Giridhar

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has enacted the State Act for extending Panchayat in the States under scheduled areas on the provisions of extension of Panchyat in Central Act;

(b) if so, the names of the States having separate Act for scheduled areas and simplified the law of the State;

(c) whether the States have incorporated the administrative measures on the line of Sixth Scheduled areas in the Panchayat Act; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the States for self-rule in the scheduled areas therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH)

(a) & (b) The State Governments of Andhra Prdesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa and Rajasthan have amended their State Acts extending various provisions of the Panchayat (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act.

(c) & (d) Provisions of Sixth schedule are applicable only to the states of Assam, Meghalaya, Mizoram and Tripura and not to fifth schedule states.